

Frequently Asked Questions: COVID-19 Vaccines



Q: How do I find out if I am eligible for a COVID-19 vaccine?

A: If you have internet access, you can go to Washington State Department of Health's (DOH) Phase Finder website: www.FindYourPhaseWa.org or www.EncuentraTuFaseWa.org for Spanish.

If you are eligible, Phase Finder will give you a confirmation and show a list of locations where you can get vaccinated.

If you are not yet eligible, you will be able to give your e-mail or phone number to receive a notice when you become eligible.

If you do not have internet access, you can call 1-800-525-0127, press # and someone at DOH will assist you.

Q: I am eligible for a COVID-19 vaccine; how do I get one in Lewis County?

A: If you are eligible, Phase Finder will give you a confirmation and show a list of locations where you can get vaccinated. **Once scheduled**, you are encouraged to print or screenshot your eligibility confirmation to bring to the vaccine provider. **Please do not go a clinic for a COVID-19 vaccine without a scheduled appointment.**

DOH also has a list of approved vaccine providers on their website: <https://www.doh.wa.gov/YouandYourFamily/Immunization/VaccineLocations> Scroll down to "Lewis County" to see which locations in Lewis County are approved to give COVID-19 vaccines. The preferred method of contacting each location is listed.

Q. There aren't any open appointments for a COVID-19 vaccine; what should I do?

A: Currently, the demand for COVID-19 vaccinations is larger than the supply. Please have patience. A vaccination campaign of this magnitude has never been seen before and it will take time, cooperation and patience to vaccinate everyone who wants COVID-19 vaccinations. In the meantime, if your provider has a waiting list, you are encouraged to get on the list and stay on it. Continue to follow the 3 Ws: wash your hands frequently for at least 20 seconds with soap and water; watch your distance with those outside of your household; and wear a face mask around people outside of your household.

Q: I received my first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine does that mean I am fully protected against COVID-19 now?

A: No. Based on current data gathered on the available COVID-19 vaccines, you will develop the best protection approximately two weeks after you receive your second dose. It is important to continue following the 3 Ws in order to protect yourself and others from potentially getting COVID-19.

For more information visit: <https://phsscovid19.lewiscountywa.gov/covid-19-vaccine-overview/>

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